

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MARCH 22, 2021, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: CLAIRE B. CORCORAN, PRESIDENT, DAVID L. PAINTER, VICE PRESIDENT AND BONNIE J. BATCHLER, MEMBER. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER SHORTLY AFTER 10:00 A.M. BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG.

LET THE RECORD SHOW THAT THE MARCH 22, 2021 REGULAR SESSION WAS VIDEO RECORDED AND IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M. LOCAL TIME. IN ADDITION, THE REGULAR SESSION IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC VIEWING THROUGH THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT WEBSITE AT <https://www.youtube.com/user/clermontcounty/playlists>

IN RE: MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION...APPROVED

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Batchler,

To approve the minutes of Regular Session of 03/17/2021.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

CONSENT AGENDA

LET THE RECORD SHOW: COMMISSIONER CORCORAN STATED THAT A CONSENT AGENDA HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND REQUESTED WHETHER ANY BOARD MEMBER WANTED ANY ITEMS REMOVED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION AND UPON HEARING NONE:

Moved by Commissioner Batchler, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendations:

1. IN RE: REQUESTS FROM VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS TO JOIN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF ROUTINE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATIVE THERETO...APPROVED

Requests from various departments to join professional organizations and to authorize payment of the annual dues in the amounts outlined below for membership therein, pursuant to Section 325.21 of the Ohio Revised Code and to authorize reimbursement of **routine travel expenses** associated therewith (*excluding expenses for overnight accommodations, meals for more than one day, registration fees, tuition, and/or transportation by common carrier*) pursuant to the policies and procedures of the Board of County Commissioners and in compliance with the Annual Appropriations for Calendar Year 2021 and any and all amendments subsequent thereto:

Elected Official or Department/Employee	Organization	Annual Dues	Term
Clermont County Public	National Association for Public Defense	\$650.00	01/01/2021

Defender’s Office: Amelia Ballard Robert Benintendi Richard Campbell Kendra Daugherty Ryan DeBra Matthew Faris Brian Goldberg Willard Stephen Haynes Gregory Hoffman Emily Huddleston James Hunt Owen Kelm Nicholas Kernan Gary Knepp Elizabeth Lewis Ronald Mason Patrick McCracken Katherine Montgomery Karen Oakley Julie Pedersen Patrick Stapp Daniel Startzman Robert Stearns Lauri Tekulve Nancy Toler John Treleven DC# 21-0315-001	Lawyers		through 12/31/2021
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2. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...ANNUAL ELECTRONIC SUBSCRIPTION MEMBERSHIP REQUEST FOR THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, OFFICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION...21-0317-001...APPROVED

Recommendation to approve the following Electronic Subscription Membership request for the provision of an online software subscription, by and between the County of Clermont, Ohio and Clermont Sun Publishing Co. at the not to exceed rate and term outlined below and to authorize the County Auditor to remit the payment(s) accordingly relative thereto.

Vendor	Subscription	Not to Exceed Rate	Term
MCM Ohio, LLC. Clermont Sun Publishing Co. 465 East Main St. Batavia, Ohio 45103 DC# 21-0317-001	Newspaper - digital edition only	\$20.00	03/30/21 through 03/29/22

3. IN RE: TRAINING AND TRAVEL REQUESTS...REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES RELATIVE TO SAME...APPROVED

Recommendation of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to approve the following requests for reimbursement of expenses for training and travel pursuant to the policies and procedures of the Board of County Commissioners and in compliance with the Annual Appropriations for Calendar Year 2021 and any and all amendments subsequent thereto:

CLERMONT COUNTY CLERK OF COMMON PLEAS
Jessica Shiepe – (1) day – Batavia, Ohio – Global Institute of Forensic Research – Static-99R Webinar Training – total expenses for registration (\$399.00), not to exceed \$399.00.
Jessica Shiepe – (1) day – Batavia, Ohio – Global Institute of Forensic Research – Stable-2007 & Acute-2007 Webinar Training – total expenses for registration (\$399.00), not to exceed \$399.00.

COUNTY SHERIFF
Jesse Kidder & Kevin Dyer – (3) days – London, Ohio – Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy – Basic Precision Rifle Skills – total expenses for registration (\$900.00), not to exceed \$900.00.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Michael McNamara – (7) days – Batavia, Ohio – Ohio Conference of Community Development (OCCD) – Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Basics Virtual Training – total expenses for registration (\$300.00), not to exceed \$300.00.

Gael Fawley – (12) days – Batavia, Ohio – Ohio Economic Development Association – 2021 Ohio Basic Economic Development Course – total expenses for registration (\$675.00), not to exceed \$675.00.

4. IN RE: PERSONNEL ACTIONS...APPROVED

* THE OFFICIAL RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, RELATIVE TO PERSONNEL ACTIONS IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION UPON REQUEST MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M. LOCAL TIME.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

NON-CONSENT AGENDA

5. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY JUVENILE COURT...AMENDMENT 1 TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH SERVICES JUVENILE COURT GRANT AGREEMENT AND FUNDING APPLICATION FOR THE RECLAIM OHIO (401) GRANT SUBSIDY, YOUTH SERVICES (510) GRANT SUBSIDY PROGRAM AND COMPETITIVE RECLAIM ALLOCATION FOR STATE FISCAL YEAR 2021...20-0610-001...EXECUTED

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Batchler, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Judge James A. Shriver, Clermont County Juvenile Court, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to authorize Claire B. Corcoran, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute Amendment Number 1 to the Ohio Department of Youth Services Juvenile Court Grant Agreement and Funding Application by and between the Board of Clermont County Commissioners and the State of Ohio, Department of Youth Services, 51 North High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215, on behalf of the Clermont County Juvenile Court, for the Reclaim Ohio (401) Grant Subsidy Program for Fiscal Year 2021 (07/01/2020-06/30/2021), for the biennial period commencing 07/01/2019 and ending 06/30/2021, previously ratified by the Board of County Commissioners on 07/08/2020, for the realignment of funds which represents an increase in the amount of \$170,030.92 to the overall Total Program Cost, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions set forth therein.

DISCUSSION: THOMAS J. EIGEL, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, STATED THAT HE SPOKE WITH JUDGE SHRIVER THIS MORNING CONCERNING THIS ISSUE. THIS IS AN ADDITIONAL SIX MONTHS OF FUNDING TO WHICH HAS ALREADY BEEN RECEIVED.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

6. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY PROBATE COURT...AGREEMENT FOR NATIONAL WEBCHECK PROGRAM SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT WITH THE OHIO ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE PROVISION OF BCI AND FBI BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR SAME...21-0312-001...EXECUTED

Moved by Commissioner Batchler, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Gerald Bryant, Director of Court Services, Clermont County Probate Court, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to execute an Agreement for National Webcheck Program Services and Equipment by and between the Clermont County Probate Court and the Ohio Attorney General, BCI Civilian Quality Assurance, P.O. Box 365, London, Ohio 43140, to allow staff of the Clermont County Probate Court to obtain Bureau of Criminal Identification (BCI) Civilian Background Checks and FBI Background Checks on all applicants for appointment as a guardian in accordance with The Rules of Superintendence of the Ohio Supreme Court governing guardianships, Local Rule 66.05 (A), effective upon execution, for a period of three (3) years, through the National WebCheck Program Services and Equipment, at the current rate of \$22.00 for a BCI Background Check and \$25.25 for an FBI Background Check, billed based on usage per month, and which supersedes the current agreement heretofore ratified by the Board of County Commissioners on 05/02/2018, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions specified therein.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

7. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY BUILDING INSPECTION DEPARTMENT... DESIGNATION OF APPOINTMENT AND/OR REAPPOINTMENT TO SERVE ON THE CLERMONT COUNTY AIRPORT ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS, CLERMONT COUNTY FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION VARIANCE BOARD, AND CLERMONT COUNTY WATER MANAGEMENT AND SEDIMENT CONTROL REGULATIONS VARIANCE APPEALS BOARD...APPROVED

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Batchler, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Michael McNamera, Director, Department of Community and Economic Development, with the concurrence of Greg Bickford, County Administrator, to appoint and/or reappoint the following individuals to serve on the Clermont County Airport Zoning Board of Appeals, the Clermont County Flood Damage Prevention Variance Board, and the Clermont County Water Management and Sediment Control Regulations Variance Appeals Board for the terms as outlined below:

Name & Address	Profession	Term
Richard Riebel 3047 Pond Run Road New Richmond, Ohio 45157 DC# 21-0315-003 DC# 21-0315-004 DC# 21-0315-005	Professional Community, Construction Field or Attorney	04/09/2021 through 04/08/2024 (Second Term)
Matthew S. Smith 529 Kittery Lane Cincinnati, OH 45255	Engineer, Registered in State of Ohio	04/07/2021 through 04/06/2024 (First Term)

DC# 21-0315-006		
DC# 21-0315-007		
DC# 21-0315-008		

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

8. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...ADDENDUM NUMBER 8 TO THE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY FOR THE LEASE OF OFFICE SPACE AT 457 WEST MAIN STREET, BATAVIA, OHIO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF DRIVERS EXAMINATION OPERATIONS...05-1005-004...TABLED

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Batchler, that the Board of County Commissioners to table the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Mary Rains, Director, Office of Management and Budget, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to execute Addendum Number 8 to the Lease Agreement by and between the Board of County Commissioners, Clermont County, Ohio, and the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Office of Facility Management/Leasing & Land Management, 1970 West Broad Street, Suite 225, Columbus, Ohio 43223, previously ratified by the Board of County Commissioners on 10/19/2005 and subsequently amended on 01/04/2006, 04/10/2007, 07/06/2011, 06/12/2013, 03/04/2015, 05/10/2017 and 04/22/2019, for the lease of 1,939 sq. ft. of office space within the County building located at 457 West Main Street, Batavia, Ohio 45103 for the purpose of drivers examination operations, to provide for the extension thereof for an additional term beginning July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023 at the annual rate of \$26,273.45 to be remitted on a quarterly basis as stated therein, which includes additions, deletions and/or modifications to the initial lease agreement and subsequent addendums, specifically Article II relative to lease term, rate and invoicing, with all other terms and conditions of the referenced lease agreement and amendments thereto to remain in full force and effect.

DISCUSSION: COMMISSIONER PAINTER EXPLAINED THAT THIS LEASE IS SHARING A SPACE WITH BARB WIEDENBEIN’S TITLE OFFICE AND HE IS NOT OPPOSED TO THE LEASE OF 1,939 SQUARE FEET, HOWEVER, THE PARKING AREA NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED BEFORE HE WILL APPROVE IT. MR. PAINTER ADDED THEY HAVE TAKEN ABOUT ¾ OF THE PARKING LOT FOR DRIVERS LICENSE TESTING DUE TO COVID AND THERE ISN’T MUCH PARKING LEFT FOR THE BMV. IF THE COUNTY IS TO APPROVE THIS LEASE, THERE SHOULD BE A SEPARATE LEASE FOR THE PARKING LOT. COMMISSIONER PAINTER WILL VOTE NO UNTIL THIS ISSUE IS RESOLVED. COMMISSIONER CORCORAN STATED THAT THIS IS THE FIRST IT HAS COME TO HER ATTENTION AND ASKED THE BOARD IF THEY WOULD LIKE TO TABLE THE ITEM UNTIL THE ISSUE IS RESOLVED. MS. RAINS NOTED THAT THERE IS A SMALL WINDOW OF TIME TO RENEW THE LEASE AND COMMISSIONER PAINTER ADDED THAT HE IS OF THE UNDERSTANDING THAT ONCE THE COVID RESTRICTIONS ARE LIFTED, THE USE OF THE PARKING LOT WILL BE RECONFIGURED. MR. PAINTER SUGGESTED THE LEASE STATE THESE TERMS TO ENSURE THE PARKING LOT GOES BACK TO THE WAY IT WAS.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

9. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...ADDENDUM NO. 4 TO THE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY/BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES FOR THE LEASE OF

OFFICE SPACE AT 457 WEST MAIN STREET, BATAVIA, OHIO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEPUTY REGISTRAR OPERATIONS...14-0508-002...EXECUTED

Moved by Commissioner Batchler, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Mary Rains, Director, Office of Management and Budget, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to execute Addendum No. 4 to the Lease Agreement by and between the Board of County Commissioners, Clermont County, Ohio, and the Ohio Department of Public Safety/Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Office of Facility Management/Leasing & Land Management, 1970 West Broad Street, Suite 225, Columbus, Ohio 43223, previously ratified by the Board of County Commissioners on 05/21/2014 and subsequently amended on 03/04/2015, 05/10/2017 and 04/22/2019, for the lease of 1,565 sq. ft. of office space within the County building located at 457 West Main Street, Batavia, Ohio 45103, for the purpose of deputy registrar operations, at an annual rate of \$30,177.36, payable by the Deputy Registrar on the first day of each month in the amount of \$2,514.78, for an additional term beginning 07/01/2021 through 06/30/2023, which includes additions, deletions and/or modifications to the initial lease agreement and subsequent addendums, specifically Article II relative to lease term and rate, with all other terms and conditions of the referenced lease agreement and amendments thereto to remain in full force and effect.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: COMMISSIONER CORCORAN STATED THAT THE BOARD HAD REACHED THE COUNTY STAFF/ELECTED OFFICIAL DISCUSSION SECTION OF THE AGENDA. SHE INQUIRED IF THERE WAS ANYONE THAT WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: THOMAS J. EIGEL, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, SHARED THAT ODOT IS ANNOUNCING \$7 MILLION AVAILABLE THROUGH THE RIDES TO COMMUNITY IMMUNITY PROGRAM FOR ALL 88 COUNTIES TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION TO VACCINATION CLINICS. MR. EIGEL IS WORKING ON THAT WITH CTC AND WILL SHARE MORE INFORMATION WHEN AVAILABLE.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: COMMISSIONER CORCORAN OPENED THE MEETING FOR BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: COMMISSIONER PAINTER MENTIONED THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN IS HEADING DOWN THE ROAD WITH A PROPOSED AMOUNT OF \$40 MILLION. THERE IS STILL A LOT OF UNKNOWN IN REGARD TO HOW THE MONEY WILL BE ABLE TO BE USED. THOMAS J. EIGEL EXPLAINED THAT THE COMMITTEE MET LAST WEEK TO TALK ABOUT IT, BUT THEY ARE NO FURTHER AHEAD THAN WHAT THE NACO GUIDANCE HAS OUTLINED AND WILL BRING THE INFORMATION TO THE BOARD WHEN THEY HAVE MORE CLARIFICATION. COMMISSIONER PAINTER MADE THE SUGGESTION THAT ONCE WE GET MORE INFORMATION ON WHAT THE MONEY CAN BE SPENT ON HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE SOME TYPE OF PUBLIC FORUM THAT WOULD ALLOW US TO GAIN SUGGESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC ABOUT USING THE FUNDS. MR. EIGEL ADDED THAT THIS COULD BE DONE IN THE FORM OF A PUBLIC HEARING OR PUBLIC MEETING VIA ZOOM IF THE BOARD WOULD LIKE. COMMISSIONER CORCORAN STATED THAT THE BOARD SHOULD HOLD OFF MAKING PROMISES AND STATEMENTS UNTIL THEY GET AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE. COMMISSIONER BATCHLER REQUESTED CLARIFICATION BEFORE WE PUT IT OUT TO THE PUBLIC.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT...APPROVED

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Batchler,

That the Board of County Commissioners, noting no further business to come before the commission for legislative action, adjourned this Regular Session at 10:19 A.M. until the next regularly scheduled session to be held at a later date.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO**

CLAIRE B. CORCORAN, PRESIDENT

DAVID L. PAINTER, VICE PRESIDENT

BONNIE J. BATCHLER, MEMBER

HOLLY CRUEY, CLERK OF THE BOARD

03/24/2021
DATE APPROVED